

MEMORANDUM FOR : Director of Security  
SUBJECT : Operation MERRIMACK

1. In response to your request to expand the MERRIMACK Operations, attached herewith are the proposed developmental plans for ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ which we believe necessary to improve the effectiveness of the MERRIMACK Operation.

2. Your approval to proceed with these plans is requested.

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~  
Deputy Director of Security (IOS)

Attachment  
Info re Operation MERRIMACK

OPERATION MERRIMACK PLAN (Remainder of FY-1968)

Operation MERRIMACK Background:

In February 1967, Operation MERRIMACK was activated by the Director of Security to provide timely advance notice of impending demonstrations in order to protect CIA assets and installations on a long-range basis. Accordingly, a small number of ~~multi-racial covert assets~~ multi-racial covert assets were directed to monitor various protest groups in the Washington area considered to be potential sources of demonstrations against the Agency. One of these agents has successfully penetrated one of the more active local pacifist organizations. The others have actively participated in the various local demonstrations or marches. The results of these limited monitorings has proven to be a valuable source of information, not only for the Office of Security, but for the Intelligence Community as well as the United States Government. In January 1968, the Director of Security re-established the mission of Operation MERRIMACK and directed that it be further sophisticated

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and expanded. To expand Operation MERRIMACK to fulfill the information gathering requirements levied upon it are minimal; however, for the expansion of MERRIMACK to be most effective it will be necessary to:

1. Proceed with the re-alignment of the [REDACTED]
2. Assign [REDACTED] to directly supervise and manage the operational requirements and activities.
3. Assignment of [REDACTED] to the Special Activities Division who will be charged with the responsibility for planning and managing the leads for operational requirements, directing the investigative and special inquiry, as well as the review and coordination of the information received from Operation MERRIMACK.

4. Proceed with the recruitment of [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]
5. Obtain the necessary funds herein identified  
for the remainder of FY-68.

It should be noted that the above requirements were previously brought to your attention in the FY-69 budget presentation to you which was approved by you and the Deputy Director for Support.

It is initially proposed that the MERRIMACK apparatus will be divided into three distinct compartmental teams as follows:

1. Basic Apparatus

One senior Staff Agent assigned to [REDACTED] will assume the responsibilities for the handling of the current MERRIMACK principal agents and casual informants to relieve the [REDACTED] in order that he may more adequately direct his attention toward the management and coordination of [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] currently assigned to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] will be responsible for the  
direction and management of the [REDACTED]  
who will develop principal agents for the recruitment of casual  
informants in the targeted organizations. This team will also  
provide Operation MERRIMACK [REDACTED], as well as the  
Agency, a fully capable staff employee type surveillance team.

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] should be assigned to the [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] responsible for the same  
activity as outlined in the paragraph above.

## 2. Compartmented Activities

a. Penetrations - The basic apparatus will be responsible for  
arranging penetrations into the organization plans and movements  
in the United States of the below listed organizations which have been

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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determined to offer the greatest potential for the Agency and Office of Security stated objectives.

Women Strike for Peace (WSP)

Students Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC)

Congress for Racial Equality (CORE)

Students for a Democratic Society (SDS)

United Black Front

Washington Ethical Society

National Mobilization Committee

Black Muslims

Recruitment of principal agents and casual informants by the basic apparatus will be done under [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] where feasible and necessary.

b.